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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP ART UNIT 2832

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, the period for response to which has been extended to December 15, 2003, by the accompanying Petition for a TWO-month Extension of Time, please reconsider the above identified application in view of the following remarks.

A listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper for the convenience of the Examiner. No amendments are being made by this listing.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.